

VDM Photo Competition 2007

New in 2007: Digital submissions only

Because nearly everybody shoots digital and everybody else has a slide scanner, we are simplifying the competition to be digital submissions only. We can do a Photo Geeks meeting on how to scan film effectively, if you want some help here.

In 2007 you can:

- ✓ Scan slides and prints to submit as digital
- ✓ Remove backscatter
- ✓ Crop images
- ✓ Enhance color and contrast balance
- ✓ Sharpen the image
- ✓ Remove distracting features
- × Refrain from adding new elements (for example, copying a fish or a diver from a different image) to make a composite. If there is interest, we will have a special competition featuring composite, creative images.
- ✓ Select your skill level for the 2007 competition, without regard for history. The two levels are:

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The February general meeting entertainments will have several photographic components:

1. Digital underwater competition divided by skill levels. Submit up to three images.
2. Digital topside competition, all one skill level. Submit up to three images.
3. Non-competitive sharing of interesting images, just for fun. Submit up to five images.

Audience voting will select one quarter of the images submitted for points towards Photographer of the Year.

Digital images are emailed to: videodiver@gmail.com. The deadline is the Monday before the club meeting. Size the images as 1024 x 768 pixels. That is, 1024 pixels on the long side, 768 pixels on the short side, and 72 DPI resolution works fine.